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GEO. W. PARK, Libonia, Franklin Co., Pa.

# BARGAINS IN PLANTS.

Pick them out. Six plants, your choice, including one 20-cent plant from preceding page, all for 25 cents. 12 plants, including two 20-cent plants, 60 cents. 18 plants, including three 20-cent plants, 75 cents. 25 plants, including four 20-cent plants, \$1.00. 100 plants (not less) by mail, including sixteen 20-cent plants, \$3.75. See description of 20-cent plants on preceding page.

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## Splendid Plants of Baby Primrose Given Away.

At last I have a large stock of fine plants of the New Baby Primrose. Heretofore 1 have been unable to supply the demand. For blooming in the window the plants are so pretty and desirable that I am anxious all my patrons should have one or more. I therefore make this offer: To anyone ordering six plants (25 cents) before September 1st, I will add one of these Primroses free-making in all seven plants for 25 cents. If you send 50 cents for 12 plants I will add two Primroses free. For 75 cents I will add three Primroses free, and for \$1.00 I will add four Primroses free. It you wish Primroses alone I will mail these fine plants at \$1.00 per dozen. Do not expect this Primrose gift after September 15th. If you do not wish the Primroses I will add other plants, hardy or tender, as desired, instead.

Abutilon Santana. Savitzii, variegated. Anna, orange, veined. Other varieties.

Other varieties.
Acacia lophantha speciosa.
NOTE.—The elegant Tree
Fern, will grow 12 feet high,
and bear lovely yellow
flowers. One of the finest
decorative pot plants, and
can also be bedded out. Acalypha Macafæana. Sanderiana.

Note.—The first has foliage like autumn leaves. Sanderiana is a superb flowering plant nearly ai-ways in bloom. Flowers appear as long, fluffy, carmine-scarlet tails, showy and exceedingly handsome.

Achania Malvaviscus. Known as the upright Fuchsia, scarlet bloom.

Acorus, calamus.

Note.—A stately aromatic plant, with sword-shaped foliage.

Agathea cœlestis.
Note.-Blue Paris Daisy.
Very beautiful, graceful
flowers. Good winter-

Ageratum, blue. White.

Princess Pauline. Note.—These bloom freely all summer in either pots or beds. They enpots or beds. T

joy the hottest sun.
Ailanthus, Tree of Heaven.
Akebia quinata.
Aloysia, Lemon Verbena.
Alyssum, double.
NOTE.—Double Alyssum
is fine for edging. The flowers are freely produced,

and always blooming. The Bellis, Double Daisy, red. plants do not seed, and their whole energy is devoted to blooming.

Amaryllis lutea, yellow. Amaryllis lutea, yellow. Ampelopsis quinquefolia. Anemone Japonica. Hortensis.

Fulgens, scarlet. Pennsylvanica, white. Large Crown. Antigonon leptopus. Anthericum vittatum. Aquilegia canadensis. Aralia ia racemosa, Spike-nard.

Arisæma, Indian Turnip. Dracunculus.
Artichoke, Helianthus
tuberosum.

Cornutum. Dracunculus. Sanctum. Hastatum Asclepias tuberosa. Astilbe Japonica. Balsam, Zanzibar. Berberis Thunbergi. Begonia, Sandersoni.

Arum Italicum.

Argentea guttata, lovely spotted foliage. Bertha Chaterocher. Evansiana. Fuchsoides coccinea. M. de Lesseps. Robusta. Speculata.

Souv. de Pres. Guillaume. Vittata alba. Weltoniensis, white.

Begonia, tuberous, red. Red.

Rose. Yellow. Double, in variety.

and edgings. They are hardy, and bloom continu-ously. The plants I offer are just beginning to bloom, and will bear all summer. Bergamot, Scarlet Mo Bergamot, narda.

White, fine. Bessera elegans, Blood Root (Sanguinaria). Bluets (Houstonia). Bougainvillea Sanderiana. Bryophyllum calycinum.
Buddleia variabilis.
Buxus (Box Wood).
NOTE.—Buxus is a beau-

NOTE.—Buxus is a beau-tiful evergreen, appearing well as a single specimen, and also fine for a hedge or the cemetery lot. It is hardy and will grow al-most anywhere. I have fine plants. Per hundred \$6.00.

Cactus, our choice. Calamus (Acorus). Callicarpa purpurea. Calystegia pubescens.
Canna in variety.
Capsicum, Celestial Pepper.
Prince of Wales.

Little Gem. Carnation, Margaret, yellow.

Margaret, white. Margaret, mixed Malmaison, mixed. Catalpa Kæmpferi. Celastrus scandens. Cestrum parqui. Laurifolium.

Poeticus. Chamomile, old-fashioned. Cicuta maculata. Chrysanthemum in sorts. Cissus heterophylla, hardy

Discolor, a lovely of dow vine.

Clematis Virginiana.

Clerodendron Balfouri. Cobæa scandens. Coleus, Fancy, in variety. Coccoloba platyclada. Convallaria (Lily of the

Valley).

Valley).
Coreopsis lanceolata.
Coronilla glauca.
Cuphea platycentra.
NOTE. — Cuphea platycentra is excellent for bedding in a sunny place, and blooms freely all summer. blooms freely all summer. If grown in pots it blooms well in the window in win-ter; known as Segar Flow'r Currant, sweet-scented.
Crape Myrtle.
Crassula cordata.
Cyperus alternifolius.
Cypripedium acaule.

Deutzia crenata fl. pl.
Note.—Deutzia crenata
fl. pl. blooms just after the
white Spireas. It is an elegant hardy shrub, always greatly admired. Deutzia gracilis. Dicentra spectabilis.

Eximia.

Double Daisy, Snowball. Longfellow, pink. Elecampane (Inula). Eranthemum pulchellum.
Eucalyptus odora.
Euonymus Americana.
Euonymus Japonica aurea.
Variegata.

Eupatorium riparium.
Note. — Eupatorium riparium has white flowers in clusters. It is easily grown, and one of the best of winter-blooming win-dow plants. Fine for cut-

Euphorbia splendens Brochorda grandiflora. Ferns, hardy, in variety. Ferns, tender, in variety. Boston Fern.

Forsythia viridissima.

Suspensa, weeping.

NOTE.—These are hardy
shrubs, and produce
wreathes of goldon bells
early, before the leaves
develop.

chsia, Chas. Blanc. Black Prince.

Dr. Topinard. Elm City. Little Prince. Monarch. Oriflamme Peasant Girl.

raultheria procumbens.
Gentiana Andrewsi.
Geranium maculatum.
Geranum, America.
Mrs. E. G. Hill.
Wonder, scarlet.
Other single sorts.
John Doyle, double.
Beaute Poittevine.
Other double sorts.
Happy Thought.
Bronze-leaved.
Mrs. Parker.
Golden Glow (Rudbeckia).
Note.—This is one of the best of hardy herbaceous perennials. The plants grow five to eight feet high in moist soil and are a swaying mass of bright, golden double flowers during autumn. Everyone should have this grand plant. Once ing autumn. Everyone should have this grand plant. Once started it will take care of itself. Golden Rod (Solidago). Goodyera pubescens. Grevillea robusta, Austra-lian Silk Oak.

Habrothamnus elegans. Hedera, English Ivy.
Helianthus tuberosa.
Heterocentron album, good
winter bloomer.

Heliotrope in variety.
Hemerocallis fulva.
Flava, Lemon Lily.
Kwamso, double.

folis

gatis.
Note.—These are hardy
summer-blooming perennials, showy and easily

Hibiscus, Chinese, in variety.

Hoarhound, herb.

Note.—The leaves of this plant may be gathered and dried for medicinal purposes. A tea used hot purposes. A tea used hot is an effectual remedy for colds and chills. Taken after eating it is also a remedy for indigestion. Honeysuckle, Hall's Everblooming.

Gold-veined

NOTE. — Both of these and blooms continuously. Honeysuckles are hardy, Can be kept in the cellar in and thrive in any rich soil. Winter, if not wanted for Hall's is a fine sort for an arbor or summer house, Lonicera, Honeysuckle. having lovely dense foliage and a profusion of fragrant flowers all season. The Lyceum, Matrimony Vine. Gold-veined has rich foliage and is very showy. Houstonia cœrulea, Bluets. Hydrangea hortensis. Otaksa. Mandevillea suaveolens. Myacinth.

Hyacinth Iberis, Perennial Candy-tuft.

Impatiens sultana. Inula (Elecampane). Note. — A tea made from the roots of this plant is valuable in pul-monary complaints. Ipomea Leari, Blue Moon-

vine. Iris, Germanica.

The flowers are double, like a Rose, and of a rich golden yellow color; blooms from early spring till summer, and again in the autumn.

Kalmia latifolia.

Lantana, pink, yellow and New Weeping.
Lavandula, Lavender.
Lavatera arborea variegata.

Gold-laced.
Obconica grandifiora.
Note.—The Hardy Primores bear large clusters of elegant flowers in spring.
When grown in pots they bloom well in late winter.
Punica, Pomegranate.
Richardia alba maculata.
Note.—Richardia alba NOTE.—Kerria Japonica is known as Corcorus Rose. The flowers are double, like a Rose, and of a rich golden yellow color; blooms from early spring till summer, and again in the auturn.

gata. Leonotis leonurus. Libonia penrhosiensis.

Libonia penrhosiensis.
Ligustrum, Cal. Privet.
Linaria cymballaria.
Lily of the Valley.
Nore.—This is a lovely hardy perennial, sure to grow and sure to please.
Exquisite little white bells in racemes; deliciously fragrant. Does well in a dense shade. Fine for the cemetery. Per dozen 50 cents. cents.

Linum, Perennial Flax.
Lophospermum scandens.
Note.—This is a lovely na has lovely variegated rapid-growing vine with silvery foliage and beautigular follows, rose bells, which with the location of the loca

Mexican Primrose. Milla biflora. Mimulus moschatus. Mitchella repens. Monarda didyma

Monarda didyma.
Montbretia crocosmiæflora.
Myrtus communis.
Nepeta, Catnip.
Nerine, Belladonna Lily.
Nicotiana, Jasmine scented.
Old Maid, hardy, scented.
Old Maid, hardy strub.
Oxalis, Golden Star.
Rowei.

Buttercup Summer-flowering sorts. Pansy, in variety. Park's Star Flower Parkis Star Flower.
Parsley, Moss curled.
Pennyroyal, herb.
Peristrophe variegata.
Phalaris, Ribbon Grass.
Phytolacca, Poke Root.
Pilea serphyllifolia.
Pine Apple Geranium
(Salvia). Hardy.
Plumbago capensis, bile.
Capensis, bile.
Podonbyllum May Apple

Polygonatum, May Apple. Polygonatum, Seal.

Polygonum cuspidatum. Primula chinensis.

Duplex, hardy. Elatior, hardy. Floribunda. Gold-laced.

Note. — Richardia alba maculata is the spotted-leaf Calla. The tubers leaf Calla. The tubers bloom in the summer when bloom in the summer when bedded in the spring, and in winter when kept and potted in the fall. I will supply dry tubers, ready to grow and bloom. They

make handsome pot plants. Rocket, sweet.
Rose, everblooming, named our selection, various

colors. Rudbeckia, Golden Glow. Ruellia Makoyana, ca

rich foliage make a grand display. It is a window plant of rare beauty. Ruellia Formosa, scarlet.

Russelia juncea.

Russelia juncea.

Elegantissima.

Note.—This is a superb

pot plant. Flowers tubular, rich scarlet, in long,
drooping racemes. Fine

for hang'g baskets or vases.

Sage.
Salvia splendens, scarlet.
Rutilans, new.
Robusta,fragrant foliage.
Sanguinaria, Blood Root.
Saponaria officinalis. Saxafraga sarmentosa.
Scutellaria pulchella.
Selaginella, moss-like.
Note.—Selaginella is

pretty moss-like creeping plant for pots or baskets in a shady place. It needs the same treatment as a

Sedum, hardy yellow.
Acre, Crowfoot.
Senecio petasites.
Smilax, Boston.
NOTE.—Boston Smilax is

NOTE.—Boston Smilax is a lovely trellis vine for the window. It has fine sprays of foliage, excellent for cut-ting. The flowers are small, white, very fragrant, and succeeded by scarlet ber-

Solanum Dulcamara.
Solidago, Golden Rod.
Spirea Anthony Waterer.
Prunifolia.

Reevesii. Van Houtte.

Van Houtte.
Spirea palmata. herbaceous, perennial.
Astilbe Japonica.
Stevia serrata alba-lineata.
Sternbergia lutea.
Strobilanthus anisophyllus.
Dyerianus, purple foliage.
Sweet William, in sorts.
Syringa, illac, white, blue
Tanacetum, Tansy.
Tradescantia, variegata.
Zebrina.

Zebrina.

NOTE. — These are fine for baskets and pots in densely shaded places.

Tritonia.

Tuberose double.

Tuberose double.
Verbena, hardy purple
Note.—The Hardy Verbena blooms from spring
till fall, and is a first-class
perennial for bedding. I
have never been able to
supply the demand for this
plant heretofore, but now
have a good stock, which I
trust will hold out. It is
tenacious, and a fine cem-

tenacious, and a fine cemetery plant.
Vinca, hardy blue.
Rosea, rose.

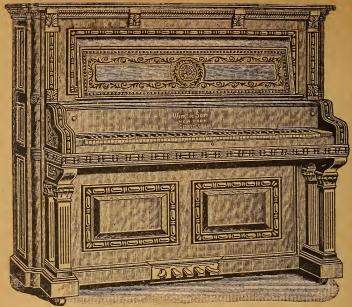
Rosea alba.

Order promptly, as this list will be changed more or less each month. If you select more than a plant of a kind always select a substitute also, as we will send but one plant of each kind where stock runs low. Always select several substitutes to be used in cases where our stock may be exhausted. Tell your friends of these offers, and get them to join you in a club offer. Address

## GEO. W. PARK, Libonia, Frankiin Co., Pa.

Mr. Park:—The plants ordered from you last week arrived all safe, and I am more than pleased with them. Many thanks to you for sending them so quickly. I enclose herewith 25 cents for your Floral Magazine a year and the collection of 10 packets of Rœmer's Giant Prize Pansies, as offered in June Magazine.—Mrs. Nellie P. Curtin, New London Co., Conn., July 14, 1902.

Mr. Park:—The plants you sent me as a premium with your excellent Magazine were so many, and so large and fine I thought I must write you a line to thank you, and to tell you how much I enjoy and appreciate them. They are all doing nicely.—Mrs. S. W. Hiatt, Mercer Co., Pa., July 9, 1902.



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## BUTTERFLY LESSON.

Oh! beautiful Butterfly, flitting about Through all the garden, in and out, Over the thistles, and off to the flowers, So gay and so happy all of the hours; You teach us the lesson that flowers are best, And love and truth can but give true rest. Then leave the thistles, or troubles, that sting, And stitch the bright sunshine upon life's wing. Greenville Co., S. C. Margery Isabel.

## SPIREA PALMATA.

MONG the hardy herbaceous perennials there are few more beautiful and attractive than the Spirea palmata, a plant or which is shown in

the engraving. It has elegant crimped foliage, and feathery, rich, dark pink panicles of bloom during summer, and as the clusters are freely borne upon strong, slender stems two feet high, a in full clump bloom always excites great ad-miration. Although this most elegant of the herbaceous Spireas was introduced from Japan so long ago as 1823, it is not vet well known. Only occasionally is it met with

in private gardens. Its easy culture, as well as its beauty and hardiness, however, recommend it for general cultivation, and the prediction might be safely ventured that its popularity will be assured as soon as its superior merits become better known. Those who try it will get something lasting and pleasing, and worthy of a prominent place in the flower garden. It may be obtained of many florists at a reasonable price.

## CRINUMS.

BOUT four years ago I obtained two small bulbs of Crinum amabile. I set them in the border, potting them in the fall. They grew very fast, and in two years threw up flower stalks with from eight to ten lovely, fragrant flowers. Last winter the tub containing one of them was accidentally left out until the middle of November, when I found it frozen almost solid. I set it in my pit, with little hope of saving it, but it came through the winter all right. As they increase very rapidly, I will leave one clump out another winter, for I think they are hardy enough to stand our winter.

My Crinum Kirki did not seem to stand the dampness of my pit. It was a large bulb when I received it, three and a half years ago. It bloomed that summer, but during the winter decayed at the heart, and formed, during the next summer, many small bulbs. They are now as large as a hickory nut. Some of them I will dry off; others I will try to keep in my pit.

I have a C. Americanum, and a Milk and



SPIREA PALMATA.

Wine Lily which have not yet bloomed. I keep them in the sun, and give plenty of water during the growing season. In the winter I keep them almost dry. They have such large, fleshy roots, that I have thought it not best to take from the soil and dry off, as we do our summer-blooming bulbs. Will some of the Band give their experience in growing them.

Eugenia.

Mason Co., Ky., Nov. 29, 1901.

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## SEED ENEMIES.

HE seedsman often gets blame for selling old seeds that lack vitality when the failure of the seeds is due to depredation of vermin. The wireworm, cut-worm, and grub-worm often destroy the larger seeds after the moisture softens them, and the green is about to push above the soil. Sow bugs are very destructive, and as they come out and do their work at night, taking the seeds just as the plants are about to appear, they are hard to detect. Other pests, as beetles, bugs, and other insects also prey upon the germinating seeds, often destroying entire rows. Before sowing divide the seed packages, and make sowings at intervals of three or four days.

Quassia Chips.—Quassia chips can be purchased of almost any druggist. The tea made from them, applied as hot as the hand will bear, is sure death to mealy bug and aphis, and if often applied will also destroy red spider. This insecticide can be applied with safety, and is one of the most effectual of insect remedies. Tobacco smoke applied too strong will sometimes injure the foliage, or cause it to drop, while kerosine emulsion, if applied too strong, or if the kerosine is not kept well mixed, will often destroy the plants. The free use of a good brass syringe will mostly make the application of insecticides unnecessary, and water either cold or hot will not prove injurious.

Amaryllis Disease.—Amaryllis regina and other species are sometimes troubled with a fungus which appears as a rust or red spot upon the leaves. Such affected bulbs should be sulphured and given a sunny place in the garden for the summer, to restore their vitality. Vigorous plants are rarely attacked by the disease.

## A FINE HEDGE PLANT.

HE most beautiful and popular plan used for making an ornamental hedge to-day is the California Privet. The plants are easily transplanted, are dense in habit, and the branches are thick ly set with pretty dark-green foliage which retains its beauty, even in the cold climate of our Northern States, until Christmas In July, after nearly all the flowering shrubs have ceased to bloom, if grown as a single specimen, its branches are tipped with beautiful, showy panicles of delicate white flowers. The plants are, therefore desirable, not only for a hedge-fence, but for planting in groups with other shrubs for flowers as well as foliage.

The plants thrive in a rich, moist soil kept stirred and loose during the spring and summer months. For a hedge the plants may be set in a double row eight or ten inches apart each way. The setting may be done either in spring or fall. Heel the soil firmly about the plants, and after fall setting mulch liberally with stable litter to promote a more even temperature of the soil. The growth is free while the plants are young, and in two or three years the hedge makes a handsome appearance. Get small plants and prune the tops liberally every season, to encourage the growth of a dense base. If intended as a barrier to stock barbed wire should be stretched upon posts between the rows of hedge plants. The hedge is useful only for ornamental purposes. It has no thorns, and affords no obstacle to large animals.

Heliotropes.—In Southern California and other sections where the climate is mild the Heliotrope is a hardy shrub, and makes a beautiful evergreen, everblooming hedge. At the North, however, it must be kept over winter in the window or conservatory. Here it is often attacked by a black rust which destroys the foliage, and often the entire plant. The diseased leaves should be gathered and burned, and as spring approaches cut the straggling branches off and encourage the growth of new, vigorous shoots from the base of the plant. To keep plants free from the disease in winter they should have good, porous soil, thorough drainage, and a sunny situation. A little sulphur and lime worked into the potting soil before potting may be found of benefit.

Swainsonia alba.—In a south bay window this plant should develop its buds well, if regularly watered, and the pot placed in a jardiniere or box, to shield the pot from the direct sun-rays, and prevent too rapid evaporation. It is a vine, and should be trained on a trellis or to strings.

## HINTS FOR AUGUST.

UGUST is a good month for sowing seeds of such hardy perennials as Arabis alpina, Alyssum saxatile, Erigeron, Anchusa, Aubrietia, Campanıla, Carnation, Digitalis, Gaillardia, Hollynock, Honesty, Iberis gibraltarica, Linum, Pansies, Perennial Pea, Phlox and Poppy, sweet Rocket, Pyrethrum and Sweet Wiliam. Prepare a large bed two and a half eet wide and as large as needed, placing a poard eight or ten inches high at the rear and one four inches in front, and closed at he ends. Then place a layer of sifted wood's soil, or soil that will not bake over he surface soil inside the frame, and firm he bed well by beating with brick, leavng it as smooth and level as a board. Now oress rows with the edge of a stick or uler about four inches apart, pressing leep or shallow, according to the size of the seeds to be sown in each row. In sowng the fine seeds place the quantity to be sown in the row on a note sheet of writing paper, and holding it between the thumb and fingers of the hand so as to elevate the edge and throw the seeds to the cener, lower one end and tap lightly on the knuckles with the fingers of the other hand. By this means you can sow the finest seeds evenly and thinly. Always label the row, giving name and date of sowing, then, if the seeds are coarse, cover with sifted soil to the depth of twice their thickness. It very fine do not cover them. After the sowing of the bed is completed place a piece of thin canvas over, sprinkle the bed over the canvas until the soil is thoroughly saturated, and cover the bed with short boards placed upon the frame so as to turn the water. This will protect from sun and storm, and keep out the light, which tends to promote prompt germination. As soon as the plants begin to appear substitute a plastering lath frame for the boards and remove such portions of the cloth as cover the germinating rows, leaving the others covered. Keep a daily watch of the rows, to promptly remove the covering and prevent loss. Keep the bed watered daily, if necessary, as the soil must be kept moist but not wet until the plants appear. Some plants will come up in three or four days, but many perennials will not germinate for from two to six weeks. The plants must not be disturbed in this bed till the next season. They will not prove hardy if transplanted. Few if any of Adlumia, Dictamnus, Sweet Violets, Clematis and some other plants will come up till next spring, so do not be discouraged if plants do not appear in all the rows. These notes should be observed in sowing annuals and other flower seeds, as well as perennials. Annual Poppies, Scabiosa, Larkspur, Calliopsis, Antirrhinum, Pinks, and many other seeds recommended for spring sowing may be put in the ground the latter part of this month, and the plants will bloom early next year, and show much finer flowers than if sowing is deferred till spring.

Bedding plants, as Geraniums, Begonias, and the like, desired for next season, may now be propagated from cuttings, and Carnations and Tufted Pansies can be layered. Where the sun is hot and the weather dry all shrubs as well as flowering plants, can be advantageously mulched, using stable litter. When this is not practicable the plants will be benefited by keeping the soil about them well stirred.

Remove fading flowers where a continued display is desired. Cut back a portion of the branches of everblooming Roses and Plumbago capensis when removing faded flowers, to encourage the growth of new branches and new flower buds.

Shield your pot plants from the hot sun at mid-day, and pots of such things as Palms, Ferns, Oleanders and the like, keep in jardinieres or boxes with moss between, to prevent the sun from shining against the pots and to preserve an even moisture of the soil.

Christmas Cactus.-This plant, Epiphyllum truncatum, should be given a sunny place out-doors in summer, the pot being plunged in coal ashes, and water regularly applied when the weather is dry. As cold weather approaches remove to a sunny window. After blooming gradually withhold the supply of water, keeping the soil barely moist during the latter part of winter. The soil for this plant should be porous and well-drained. If drainage is clogged, and the soil kept constantly wet it will lose its roots and die. plant loses its roots it should be made into cuttings, these inserted in sand, and new plants thus produced.

Potting Primroses. — In potting Chinese and other Primroses avoid deep setting. If the soil comes in contact with the base of the leaf-stems it will cause them to rot, and thus destroy the plant. Tin cans are better receptacles for Primroses than pots, because the soil in them retains an even degree of moisture. When pots are used some sphagnum moss placed over the soil will be found beneficial. It should, however, be kept away from the crown of the plant, as it may cause decay.

Fuchsias.—Give these a rich, tenacious soil, and shift the plants into larger pots as they grow. Always provide good drainage, and shade from the hot noonday sun. Water liberally while they are growing. Bedded out in a sheltered place they thrive and bloom satisfactorily during the summer.

## BABY PRIMROSE.

HE so-called Baby Primrose, Primula Forbesi, is an exquisite flowering plant, pleasing everybody who loves chaste, pretty flowers. Hundreds of people have written to the Editor about it, and the following is a sample of the letters:

Mr. Park:—In my forty years' experience in growing window plants I have never had more satisfactory plants than Primula Forbesi or Baby Primrose. My plants bloomed without intermission from August until the following May, and I do not know how long they would have bloomed if I had not neglected them and let them get dry. They certainly are the daintiest and sweetest little flowers I ever saw. They are easily cared for, bloom in sun or shade, heat or cold, and are one mass of bloom all the time.

Mrs. Jennie Deweese.

Morgan Co., Ill., Nov. 16, 1901.

The Baby Primrose is one of the easiest grown of Primroses, as well as one of the most satisfactory. It is a plant that can be confidently recommended to the amateur for window culture, and should be given a trial by all who cultivate window plants. It should certainly be in every good collection.

Aphis on Roses.-Aphides or green Lice are a constant enemy of the Rose indoors, and often troublesome upon those outside. In the greenhouse they are destroyed and kept down by fumigating weekly with tobacco stems when the plants are attacked, and where a few pots in the window are troubled they can be placed under a box or barrel upon a table, to be fumigated. Plants out-doors, however, must be treated with a syringe, using quassia-chips tea and soap in the form of suds, and applying in the evening, the liquid being slightly hotter than the hand will bear. A few applications at intervals of two or three days will soon eradicate the pest.

Crinum Disease. — The leaves of Crinum Kirki and other species, as well as those of Amaryllis, sometimes become affected by a fungus which causes them to turn yellow and die. This is mostly due to keeping the plants freely watered after the active period is past, when the leaves are more liable to disease. Remove and burn the diseased leaves as soon as they are noticed, and place a thin layer of sulphur over the surface soil. The sulphur will also destroy white worms, which infest soil kept wet while the plant is dormant.

Scale on Roses.—To get rid of Scale on Roses rub the stems with a stiff brush until the Scales are well detached, then sponge the plant thoroughly with quassia tea and soap-suds, or apply the material with a syringe. This wash should be used at intervals of two or three days, until the young scale-insects are all destroyed.

## WINDOW BULBS.

HIS is the month in which to get an plant such things as Callas, Freesi and Buttercup Oxalis, to have the in full bloom at Christmas or late Many persons delay potting until the tin is not sufficient for developing the flowe by mid-winter. Some, even, delay gettir the bulbs till they are reduced in vitalit So, if you wish the best success with the flowers, get them early. The sooner yo obtain and pot them the better will I your success.

Areca lutescens.—The little engra



ring shows this super Palm as it appears whe the leaves are fully developed. The young leaver are not of the same for but the older the plathe more graceful are beautiful the foliage becomes. Do not starve the plants, crowding the

roots into a small pot. Shift into a large pot as fast as the plant develops, and plasphagnum moss over the soil, to prever rapid evaporation, and retain the evemoisture of the soil.

Bedding Amaryllis. — Amaryll Regina, A. Johnsoni, A. Aigberth Hybrid and also Belladonna Lilies do well whe bedded out in rich, rather tenacious soil a sunny situation during the summer. S the bulbs two or three inches under the surface, and as hot weather approach mulch the bed with stable litter. In the fall lift the bulbs and dry them off in warm room. When thoroughly dry wre in cotton and store in a box in a from proof place till spring, then bed as before Thus treated the bulbs will nearly a bloom beautifully during the summ months.

Palms.—Sago and other Palms thri in a rich, porous, fibrous compost wi good drainage. Keep well watered, at in partial shade out-doors in summe The plants should not be over-potted, n the roots crowded. Shift into large pc as the plants grow, and set the pots larger vessels, with moss between the p and its receptacle, and also over the stabout the plant. Much of the trout with Palms comes from injudicious w tering. The arrangement suggested maitains an even moisture, and encourage healthy growth.

Medeira Vine.—The tubers of the Vine are almost hardy in Southern Pensylvania. A clump just outside of a buing upon the Editor's grounds has remained undisturbed for several years, and ney fails to throw up vigorous vines every son. With protection it would doubtle prove hardy further north.

## TO A FIELD LILY.

Bending on your stem so slender, As the wind comes creeping down, With your petals bright and tender; Well, I'd wish for such a gown.

As you whisper to the green grass, Growing round about your feet, A dewdrop is your looking-glass, And a green leaf is your seat.

Enid A. Cutting.

Suffolk Co., Mass., March 14, 1902.

## IRIS. OR FLEUR DE LIS.

BELIEVE that the dear old Fleur de lis is now called an Iris, which bothers me, as the Iris of my garden is a tiny bit of a dwarf cousin, sending up its ep blue-purple bloom almost as soon as le early Crocus shows its face, while my leur-de-lis blossoms luxuriantly, goreously, on stalks thirty inches or more Il, in June. It seems to me that this ower is too much neglected, perhaps ecause it is not a constant bloomer, or erhaps because to know its real beauty ae must simply have oceans of it. There just be great clumps here, and here, and ere, in blues, in yellows, in ash colors, and in white, and then, when its season f bloom comes, the garden is a scene of opical beauty. I know of no bloom ore gorgeously fairy-like, except that of ie Orchids, and these we cannot have out our lawns simply for the planting. Maude Meredith.

Cook Co., Ill.

[Note.—The German Iris is a characteristic Flag", of many colors, blooming in June and ery showy. It is perfectly hardy, and a single lant once set will soon become a conspicuous ump, on account of its tendency to increase. learly all Iris species delight in moist or boggy round while growing, and make their best rowth only in such situation .- ED.]

Cuttings. - I find that Starting tarting cuttings in wet sand is the surest vay. Fill plant saucers full of clear, clean and, coarse, medium or fine, stick full of uttings, and put in a sunny place, but vhere they will be shaded from the burnng sun of mid-day. Keep the sand wet, ike mud, all the time. This is the secret, never let it dry out. I rooted hundreds of cuttings last summer in this way, right n my flower garden, under the shade of a ow of Castor Beans,-Geraniums, Heliorope, Hydrangea, Justicia, Chrysanthemum, etc. Heliotrope is said to be hard to root. I rooted ten out of every twelve I stuck. I tried growing Ambrosia last year. It is fine for the green in bouquets, and has a fragrance like spruce.

Sister Bert. Somerset Co., Me., Mar. 25, 1902.

### BUDDLEIA VARIABILIS.

TRIED this novelty last season, and though the very hot and dry weather interfered somewhat with its success, I was well pleased with it. Being the first year after planting, the drought had more effect on its growth than it will later on, after the roots run deeper in the ground where they find more moisture.

Though but a small plant, it blossomed freely, and attracted more honey bees than all the rest of the garden combined. The branches of the plant arch gracefully, the foliage is a peculiar shade of green above and white beneath, and the flowers grow in long sprays on the ends of the branches.

The individual blossoms are shaped like Heliotrope, but are larger, and in color rosy-lilac with a distinct orange center. Plants can be raised from seeds to bloom the first season, often being in blossom in

four months.

They grow to a height of four or five feet, and have proved hardy without protection, except in the North, where they require a heavy mulch during winter. The plant is new to this country, being lately introduced from China.

Bernice Baker.

Winnebago Co., Ill., Feb. 17, 1902.

My Summer Parlor.-The south side of the yard is bordered with a grove of grey Birch, sprinkled with evergreens. The Birch trees grow in clumps. This leaves open spaces on the ground. One of these is my summer parlor. There were several chairs in the way of furniture, and a table of Fuchsias, shade-loving Cacti, Cineraria, etc. A big Fuchsia on the ground, also a big Phyllocactus and a pail of Parrots Feather. A little five-o'clock tea served there was pronounced a splendid time indeed. Sister Bert.

Somerset Co., Maine.

Anthericum, Achania and Lantana.—The plain and variegated Anthericums are fine plants, e'en without the dainty white star flowers on long stems, followed by rosettes of leaves, each one of which, taken off, will form a new plant, but left on the stems two feet long, soon droop and make the plant a fine one for a hanging basket. Achania malvaviscus and the Lantanas are almost everblooming. Keep them cut back and you will never lack for bloom and brightness on your plant stand.
Mrs. M. A. Bucknell.

Madison Co., Ill.

Starting Wistaria.—I got old seeds of Wistaria in May, and planted some in the open ground, and some in a crock. The soil was kept very wet all the time. The plants appeared in two weeks and grew finely.

Mrs. H. E. Iliff.

Douglas Co. Kas. July 10, 1902. grew finely.

Douglas Co., Kas., July 10, 1902.

## EVERBLOOMING LOBELIA.

ARNARD'S LOBELIA is surely everblooming. I raised some from seeds last season, and the plants were in bloom when little more than an inch high, and continued to grow and blossom almost the entire season. Though the weather was very hot and dry, and the plants often suffered from lack of water, they bloomed away bravely. The blossoms are of larger size than the common Lobelia, and the color is a beautiful deep blue. Among all the seedlings I had blossom only two were of different shades, those being several shades paler than the others. Besides being a fine border plant for flower beds, the plants are fine for pots or baskets, and will bloom freely in the window garden in winter. New seedlings can be raised for the purpose, or old plants be cut back. Marian Meade.

Winnebago Co., Ill.

Spirea Van Houtte.—This is one of the best Spireas, and blooms early in the spring. It produces its flowers in clusters, almost covering the bush. The flowers are produced on the plants when very small, only a foot or two in height. As it gets older it increases in size and produces more flowers. Its culture is very simple, only requiring to be planted out in a loose, moderately rich soil. After the first year it will require little, if any, attention. It is perfectly hardy. W. C. Mollett. Martin Co., Ky., May 4, 1902.

Narcissus.—One of the most desirable of the hardy bulbs, for out-door culture, is the Narcissus. They need coarse, rough manure, hop or leaf-mould, with well-rotted leaves and mulch, which will act as a non-conductor of heat, and yet prevent them from drying up. The bed for planting should be slightly sloping, or have below it, at quite a depth, a layer of stones, that the soil may be well drained. A place where water will stand in summer, or ice accumulate in winter, is sure death to any bulb.

O. M. V.

Snohomish Co., Wash.

Wild Heliotropes.—Among native plants I would mention Valeriana, sometimes called Wild Heliotrope, a large handsome herbaceous plant, with a perennial root, and an erect, round, channeled stem, from two to four feet high, with opposite pinnate leaves, terminating in flowering branches. The flowers are small, rose or pale lilac; sometimes white, agreeably odorous; and in terminal corymbs. It is a native of England, and worthy of cultivation.

Allegany Co., N. Y., May, 1902.

## THE OLD GARDEN.

O, the fragrant old-time garden That flourished long ago! No chilling winds blew o'er it, No blighting frost or snow.

In the garden old of memory 'Twas always spring I ween; The flowers were always blooming, The grass was always green.

There were Roses red and Daisies, Dahlias and Poppies, too; There were Mignonette and Lilies, Larkspur and Pansies blue.

The sun was always shining
On a dancing brook it seems,
In this long remembered garden,
The garden of my dreams.

Do flowers yet bloom in that garden old, Beneath the summer skies? Alas, it's long since I saw it With any but memory's eyes.

Yet I still recall with pleasure
The garden of long ago,
And the vanished flowers that grew there
With their colors all aglow.

Wm. C. Mollett.

Martin Co., Ky., May 5, 1902.

LEMON VERBENA.

EAR FLORAL FRIENDS:—I want to ask you all to try a plant of Lemon Verbena. Plant one in the garden. You will be surprised how fast it will grow, and when you want to have "a bit of sweet" for your bouquets there it is. You can take the plant up in the fall. Cut it back, and it will grow all winter, and be ready for the ground next spring. It makes quite a shrub, if it is trained right. I do not know if it would live over winter in the cellar, but I think it would. It is worth a trial at any rate.

Mrs. M. A. Bucknell. Madison Co., Ill., June 28, 1902.

Native Plants.—Among other native plants in New York State worthy of special mention are the ever beautiful trailing Arbutus, Arum or Jack in the Pulpit, many varieties of Violas, Eglantine or Sweet Brier, Impatiens or Jewelweed, Cranesbill or Wild Geranium, Mallows, Honeysuckles, Kalmia or Laurel, with its beautiful glossy leaves and elegant pink flowers, Stramoniums, Convolvulus, many varieties of Ferns, Dog-tooth Violet, and the lovely Water Lilies, with pale yellow or white sweet-scented blooms resting on the heart-shaped leaves.

E. F. Eggleston. Allegany Co., N. Y., May, 1902.

A Hint.—Place some lime-mortar among the charcoal drainage in your flower pots this year. Emma Clearwaters. Vermillion Co., Ind.

## BEGONIAS, OLD AND NEW.

EGONIA WELTONIENSIS was my first possession, and I was justly proud of its velvety beauty, even though others rapidly succeeded. And I still admire the changeful sheen of its foliage.

I am not in sympathy with the neighbor who speaks slightingly of "that plant", and leaves her bedded out gems to freeze because she is "tired to death of them". The B. nitida can always be depended on for mid-winter clusters. Mine is white, pink and



tinged, and they remain for many weeks. A well-grown plant of B. McBethii is always pretty, with white, delicate bunch-Alba picta is a dainty plant for the table in a pretty jardiniere. It is easily managed, never attaining a great size. Paul Bruant is the most prolific in flowers of all. It literally covers itself with enormous clusters of pinkish flowers. De Lesseps, three feet high, is a stately plant, with large, spotted leaves and showy flowers,-ornamental enough if it never bloomed. It is finer than B. Argentea, though that too blooms in winter. It must have a warm situation, else it drops its leaves in most unseemly fashion. I find that it likes warm water as well as a Calla, invariably throwing out flowers soon after. Pres. Carnot has also handsome foliage, spotted like the old Argyrostigma, and like that, faintly tinged on its under leaves. La Neige is a beauty. It throws up numerous stems from the root in a vigorous fashion, as if strictly intent on business. Its flowers are a curious shade of pink, different also from Glaucophylla's, which are salmon or flesh color. The latter Begonia is admirably suited for a basket, trailing gracefully, and the leaves crimped or veined strongly. Mine is trained on a trellis over three feet high, the light green, pointed leaves overlapping, making a dense pillar amid which the lovely blooms peep out. It is my very loveliest one, I say then; but when Rubra hangs its scarlet clusters in great profusion in mid-summer, I take back the statement in her favor.

Thurstonii eclipses the older Metallica, accents its good points, and grows very vigorously. Zebrina and Compta are similar, and very ornamental. Manicata aurea is indescribably dainty when its pink bloom is thrown high above its pretty foli-

age, like a mist.

The largest of all my collection is Vershafeltii. Its leaves are a foot in length by nine inches wide, on strong peduncles eight inches long, and with a stem five inches in circumference. It well merits

the local name it has acquired, Tree Begonia, and as such I knew it for seveal years. When it holds aloft its tall pink bloom, no one would pass it by.

Lydia W. Baldwin.

Kent Co., Del., March 8, 1902.

White Closed Gentian.—On the 25th of last November I found, in a meadow near Bristol, Bucks County, Pa., a plant of Gentiana Andrewsi in full bloom, the flowers of which were pure white. had never before seen the blooms white, nor the plants growing in such a watery place. The flowers were always blue, and the plants in a dry place. Perhaps the wet soil caused the flowers to turn white. Are not white Gentians rare?

Philadelphia, Pa.

Deaf Tom.

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[Ans.—The white-flowered Closed Gentiana Andrewsi is rare, and the plant found should have been secured as a novelty. It would be a desirable addition to our list of late-flowering native perennials. The growth of the plants in boggy places is, however, quite natural. It is not likely that the wet soil had any part in the variegation of the flower. The plant was simply a sport, but one worthy of preservation.—Ed.

Begonia Evansiana.—This is a tuberous sort, dying down in winter, but coming out bravely in summer, each joint filled with the tiny bulblets that drop, and form new plants. Can the Editor tell me if it is really hardy? I would also like to ask why the Ricinifolia section is absent from the plant catalogues.

Columbia Co., N. Y. Jennie L. Bain.

[Ans.—At Chambersburg, Pa., where Begonia Evansiana has been cultivated freely for many years, the plants have repeatedly wintered safely in various situations out-doors. They are of easy culture, beautiful in both foliage and flower, and make a showy bed in a partially shaded place. \* \* \* The Ricinus-leaved Begonias grow slowly and it is difficult for the florist to get and keep a stock of them. This is probably the cause of their absence from catalogues.—ED.]

Mailing Slips .- After more experience in mailing slips I find that a better way than inserting the ends in a potato is to wrap the ends in wet cotton and pack in a tin box so the cuttings will not shake about. Mrs. Ed. Harp.

Otoe Co., Nebr.

[Note.—When sphagnum moss and oiled paper are to be obtained a still better way is to place the ends of the cuttings in wet moss, and wrap tightly with oiled paper. Avoid wetting the foliage.—ED.]

Corn and Morning Glories.-If you want a useful and beautiful screen plant Stowells Evergreen Corn and seeds of Morning Glories. After the green ear is removed the stalk will dry, but the vine will cover it with rich green foliage and bright showy flowers till frost. Cut the faded flowers to prevent seeding, and you will be rewarded with a rich display.

Miss E. C. Burchell. Jefferson Co., N. Y., March 3, 1902.

## SOME VERSES ABOUT THE ORCHIDS.

[Note.—My old friend, Lyman M. Ford, of San Diego, California, is the author of the following verses, and precedes them by these remarks:—"Composed soon after the demise of my life-long companion, Abbie Guild Ford, who was stricken with paralysis and died Aug. 4, 1896. She brought me to California, quite an invalid, from our old home in St. Paul, Minn., and soon after began the culture of Orchids, especially her favorite Cattleyas."—ED.]

Here where orange groves surround us,
And their fragrance fills the air,
Friends from many lands have found us
Growing Orchids, rich and rare:
One she loved, with petals wide,
Opened full the day she died.

Now upon the wall before me Hangs a lovely Cattleya, Like an angel watching o'er me, But it almost weeps to-day! She, alas! is in the tomb, For whom first it showed a bloom!

Saddest thoughts o'er me are stealing, As I look on forms so rare; And such beauteous tints revealing, That no common thing can share: Like the one who yesterday Passed from earthly scenes away.

For her sake long will I cherish
These dear plants she loved so well;
But their blossoms quickly perish,
And my woe no words can tell;
Since her hands have grown so cold,
These are more to me than gold!

Oft I wonder if they grow them
In the fields of endless bliss!
And I dream that we shall know them
In a fairer clime than this;
Hang they from the Tree of Life
For my dear, departed wife?

On the banks of yonder river,
Where no blighting breezes blow,
Will our heavenly Father give her
Flowers she loved so here below?
Painted He in canons wild
Orchids fair for Abbie Guild?

Tell me now immortal sages,
If loved ones such forms behold?
For we learn from sacred pages
That each street is paved with gold.
Can it be that here we grow
Grander flowers than angels know?

How can aught that is terrestial,
With such matchless hues compare?
They, I ween, must be celestial,
And my love will greet them there!
Venezuela's vine-clad coast
Ga /e the one that she loved most,

## NIGHT-BLOOMING CACTUS.

Wonderful flower of ruby and gold, Sunshine and pearl, fold upon fold; Distilled fragrance of tropical land, Opening at sunset. Amazed I stand.

Slowly each petal unfolds in its place, As if led by a hand of magic and grace; Each one perfect, and filling its part, From outermost circle to innermost heart. Mrs. N. P. Nelson.

Nobles Co., Minn., March 8, 1902.

I can see Odontoglossums
Growing on Colombian trees,
Where they flaunt fantastic blossoms
To each nectar-laden breeze;
Forests high, in Mexico,
Make a home for them to grow.

Far away, in groves enchanted, In a sort of fairyland, Not for mortals were they planted By the great Creator's hand; Seraphim oft there on earth Celebrate Immanuel's birth!

They are found on Southern mountains
Where they cling to stately trees;
Or, perchance, by tropic fountains,
Overhanging sultry seas;
They are hid in sheltered glen,
Far away from haunts of men.

Made He lightnings, fierce and forked, Just to show His wondrous power; Then He formed the matchless Orchid, But Eve never saw its flower! Not on earth, but in a tree, Grows her favorite Mossiæ!

He who formed the starry dippers Placed Orion, too, on high! And for fairies made gay slippers That with dear Dendrobiums vie! Panama's strange floral dove Shows to all a Savior's love!

Dearer than the costliest Canna Is the one that I love best; Here we call it Dowiana, Fittest garland for the blest! O, it is a flower divine, Taught to bloom for me and mine!

These are libe peraphic visit,
And too pure for mortal man!
Ah! how precious and exquisite
Are the gems from Arracan!
Laelias grand and Marmodes,
My beloyed could not please!

No more by the window sitting, Does she watch, alas! for me; And mute birds are softly flitting Round our pensive pepper tree! She with Orchids rich and rare Nevermore will greet me there!

## A FLORAL PROBLEM.

"Aunt Hattie, what do d'Daffodils do in d'dark? Dey dance all day, Dey laugh an'play, But what do dey do in d'dark?

Dey don't be took up stairs,
Nor say 'Now-I-lay-me' prayers,
Den what *do* dey do in d' dark?
Do d' little yellie heads
Cuddle in d' wee flowrie beds,

Do dey dest doe to seep in d'dark?"

Indiana Co., Pa.

Domine.

### CALYSTEGIA PUBESCENS.

WANT to recommend Calystegia pubescens to your many readers. I had it before this year, but it never seemed so beautiful. The only fault I can find with it, is that it runs along under ground, and sprouts up in unlooked for spots. I have pulled up every sprout this spring and given it to the children of my Loyal Temperance Legion, who raise flowers for the "Flower Mission". My Calystegia (or California Rose, as some call it, for it is as double as a rose, the petals turning back till they almost form a ball, and of the most delicate pink color), grows below a



CALYSTEGIA PUBESCENS.

south window, and runs on strings up to the sill, and then hangs down, a perfect wealth of bloom. It begins to bloom when only a foot or so high, and bears a blossom at every leaf. Many stop to enquire what that lovely vine is. It is perfectly hardy here, and I think would be farther north. Mrs. M. A. Bucknell.

Madison Co., Ill., July 9, 1902.

Buttercup Oxalis.—Three bulbs in a five-inch pot make an elegant display of rich, golden bloom during winter. Start them now.

## HARDY SHRUBS.

T seems surprising that more attention is not paid to hardy shrubs. They are so easily obtained, and started, and so easily cared for afterwards, that they might be called the poor-man's flowers. During spring and early summer, when garden flowers are scarce, the shrubs are a mass of bloom, and scent the air with their fragrance. Some, even, bloom during summer, some in autumn, and some show flowers at the beginning of winter. All are beautiful.

A good time to start a bed is during August and September. In grouping set

the taller plants in the center, and the others around. Avoid crowding. The space between can be used for hardy herbaceous plants.

After setting a plant heel the soil in firmly about it and water it thoroughly, then set a shingle upright at the south side to shield it for a while from the noonday sun. A mulch of chip dirt or stable litter will keep the soil cool and moist. Many of the plants set in early autumn will bloom freely next spring. Do not delay planting till next spring. You will lose a year of bloom, and the plants will not be likely to do so well as if set out during early autumn.

Aspedistra. — I let my Aspedistra set in the full sunshine last summer, and in the autumn the leaves all turned brown and had to be cut off. Mrs. M. A. B.

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Madison Co. Ill., June 9, 1902.

[Note.—It is possible the sun-rays against the side of the pot did more injury to the plant than that against the foliage. Had the pot been placed in a box with sphagnum moss between the pot and box, and a layer upon the soil, the plant might not have suffered injury.—Ed.]

Callas.—Pacific Callas potted this month are sure to bloom in the window during early winter. If you have non-blooming Callas store them away in the cellar till spring. If fairly treated you cannot keep them from blooming. No tuber is more reliable.

### PRIMULA OBCONICA.

VER since it was first introduced, several years ago, I have grown Primula obconica with satisfactory results. But until last winter, I had grown only the old type. The new large-flowering Primnla obconica is a decided improvement on the old sort, the leaves and flowers being double in size. The new sort are borne on stiffer and longer stalks well above the foliage, and show marked improvement on colors over the old sort. As the seeds of the new, choice variety cost no more than the others, I have discarded all my old plants, and keep in stock only those of the best. From a three-cent packet of Park's large-flowering, fringed Primula obconica, sown a year ago last spring, I grew enough nice, healthy plants to stock the ordinary window. One plant in particular of this sowing, completely fills an eight-inch pot, and at present has thirty-two stalks of bloom, and numerous buds just peeping out from under the leaves. The individual blossoms



PRIMULA OBCONICA.

measure fully an inch and a quarter in diameter, while each cluster is as large over as a teacup. I think all Primroses, if properly cared for through the hot, trying months of summer, are always more satisfactory the second season of bloom, inasmuch as they have attained more crowns from which to bloom. I find the Obconica to be a plant that requires an immense quantity of feeding to obtain the very best results. Consequently, I water mine at least once or twice a week with liquid manure water. This species of Primrose is also more impatient of root room than other Primroses. If both these named requirements are denied it, the plant will show unmistakable signs of it in its yellow, sickly-looking leaves.

Mrs. M. H. Durfee.

Wayne Co., N. Y.

## ROOTING CUTTINGS.

AKING a shallow quart pan or basin. I place a little charcoal in the bottom. then fill with clean sand, watering with warm water to settle the sand. Then with a penknife, I take the cuttings. I scarcely ever break a slip off, as is so often done. It makes the slip, as well as the plant from which it is taken, look ragged and unsightly. Sever the cutting with a clean, slanting cut, which insert in the sand, pressing the same firmly around the cutting, then sprinkle all with tepid water and place in moderate sunshine. If a box of plants or slips is received by mail place them in tepid water for a half hour, then proceed as with home cuttings. In repoting small plants use a little clean sand under and over the roots, and the little tender rootlets will take hold of the soil more readily. During March and April I place my pan of cuttings over a vessel of hot water for a little while each morning. Warming up the bottom soil helps the rooting process wonderfully. I watch my cuttings closely, and sprinkle with tepid water every other morning when the weather is sunshiny; but when damp and cloudy do not water so often. The soil must be kept moderately wet and at no time allowed to get quite dry. In this way I rarely fail to root Geraniums, including rose and Ivy Geraniums, Coleus, Vincas, Verbenas, Begonias, Cacti, etc., no matter how small. The Cacti must be kept just moist, not wet, and in the full M. A. M. sun.

Okla., Feb. 26, 1902.

Nicotiana affinis.—Planted in a bed by themselves, plants of Nicotiana affinis make a splendid showing in the evening, and perfume the whole yard. As pot plants they almost equal an Easter Lily, while as single specimens, planted near the door, there is nothing that can equal them. The roots may be kept over in a box of earth in the cellar, or covered with a liberal coat of manure. They come up year after year, growing more robust with age.

Story Co., Iowa.

Red Nicotiana.—This did not prove worth the trouble of growing in this climate, which is that of central Illinois.

Storey Co., Iowa. Subscriber.

[Note.—The editor does not know a Nicotiana bearing colored flowers that is worth cultivating as a flowering plant. The flowers appear coarse, and the color dull and unattractive. If any seedsman recommended such Nicotiana for bloom he was probably not acquainted with it, or cared more for trade than for the interest of his patrons.—Ed.]

Freesias.—Freesias should be potted in August, then keep the pots out-doors until cool weather, at which time bring to the windows.

Eugenia.

Mason Co., Ky., June 27, 1902.

## ABOUT FREESIAS AND THEIR CULTURE.

OR some years I have planted Freesia bulbs about the first of September, and during January and February the creamy white blossoms, with an indescribable, delicate fragrance, gladdened my heart. A dear friend, who first gave me the bulbs, calls them heavenly flowers. They are of the easiest culture. The soil should be light and porous, that from the woods, mixed with a little coarse sand and well-decayed, barn-yard manure. six or seven bulbs in a five or six-inch pot, with good drainage, pressing down about an inch; water with lukewarm water and set in a warm room. In a few days grasslike blades will push through the soil. Then give a sunny place, if possible, although they will blossom if they get the sun only part of the day. Water only when the soil appears dry. When done blooming, withhold water gradually, letting the tops die down and dry up before taking out the bulbs to store away for another season. Put in a dry place where mice cannot get at them. It is best not to delay the planting the bulbs later than September first, if you want blossoms by mid-winter. Miss E. L. Sutton.

Morris Co., N. J., Feb. 7, 1902.

[Note.—Those who complain about poor success with Freesias should note the above remarks. The Editor has repeatedly advised the early planting of Freesia bulbs, and deprecated obtaining and planting in November, December and January. The bulbs begin to lose their vitality soon, and the best bulbs the dealer can supply late in the season, are not to be compared in vitality and reliability with those obtained in August and September. Window gardeners will do well to make note of this.—ED.]

Marigolds and Zinnias. — Some say they don't like Marigolds and Zinnias. I used to think I disliked them, but any person who sees the plants of the improved varieties can hardly express a dislike for them. They will grow almost anywhere, are drought resisters, and the Marigolds have a pleasing scent. Then they remain in bloom so very long. These are all points in their favor that, in my estimation, overbalance the stiffness and coarseness. The children had some Zinnia plants that were in full bloom since June, and were sightly flowers until in November. A fence on the north of them protected them somewhat from the frost.

Mrs. Emma Clearwater.

Vermilion Co., Ind.

Cinnamon Vine.—I consider this Vine a nuisance in a city yard. It is frost-proof, and the small tubers it bears at the leaves are dropped all around where they are not wanted.

Deaf Tom.

Philadelphia, Pa.

### SALVIA SPLENDENS.

WELL-KEPT bed of Salvia splendens almost equals in beauty and attractiveness one of choice Cannas. The plants are also very desirable for the house in winter, when started from seeds or cuttings in summer.

The flowers, which are borne in spikes, are of brilliant colors, and freely produced. Some are scarlet, some crimson, and some white. A new variety has green foliage, spotted white. The plants make a showy bed on the lawn, and are of easy culture, thriving in any sunny place where the soil is moist and rich.

Jessie Lynch.

Yamhill Co., Oreg.

Rudbeckia.—My Golden Glow, Rudbeckia, is an immense plant, and even in this cold Canada requires no protection of any kind. I have divided it, and sent pieces to many friends, and many people enquire what "tropical-looking plant is that?" It never fails to grow, and I guess it would suit Nabby Frost better than slips.

Mrs. M. L. P.

Quebec, Can., Apr. 28, 1902.

## JUST THINK.

## You Can Think When the Food Makes Your Brain Work,

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package of Grape-Nuts.

## BERGAMOT.

A stalk of fragrant Lavender among the meadow grasses,

Where a little crystal rivulet murmuringly passes.

The stalk of fragrant Lavender is blooming there alone,

And the rippling rill remembers still the friendship he has known.

For, oft that winsome scarlet bloom has bowed her stately head,

To see her fair reflection in the waters as they sped.

And oft the bees, with business buzz, with happiness ahum,

To her honey laden flowers most eagerly did come.

Oft did jolly Bobolink upon her strong stem swing,

To inhale the charming odors and her praise enraptured sing.

And oft the whispering breezes here some perfumed message bore.

So that purer, stronger, deeper, is the streamlet than before.

Indiana Co., Pa.

Domine.

## IMPATIENS SULTANI.

N THE spring of 1900 I set under a cloth-covered shelter a small plant of Impatiens Sultani. It grew rapidly, and before fall attracted the wonder and admiration of all who saw it.

Early in November it was taken up and set into a small wooden tub, fourteen inches high, and the same in diameter. With the greatest possible care in moving it, some stems were broken off, yet it did not



show any ill effects from being transplanted, but continued to bloom constantly. Soon after it was removed to the house, where I measured it. It stood over thirty inches high from the top

of the soil, and was over three feet in diameter across the top. There were seven stems at the ground, but they keep dividing until at the top there were over thirty. Each of these was terminated by a cluster of from two to twelve blossoms, over one hundred and fifty in all. One plant has not been out of bloom for over nine months, and will continue to blossom freely as long as it is kept in a growing condition.

W. C. Steele.

Saint John Co., Florida.

[Note.—Impatiens Sultani may now be had in various colors, as salmon, purple, carmine, etc. It is only lately that its value as an out-door plant for summer-blooming became known. It thrives in the garden, and blooms freely and constantly. As a pot plant for winter-blooming there are few better plants. It will not, however, endure a cold or changeable temperature.—Ed.]

## COLEUS AND SALVIA.

AST spring I sowed some seeds of Coleus and Salvia splendens at the same time. The labels became misplaced. and in about a week's time the Salvias, as I thought, were up fine. But not so the Coleus. These refused to appear, and had to be discarded. Meanwhile the Salvias (?) grew apace, until one day noticing them closely, I saw that the leaves were curiously marked, and then I knew they were Coleus, and not Salvias. I saved forty of them, planted them out in a bed. and had much pleasure in watching the different markings on each as they developed. They grew well until the great drouth, when they finally succumbed. I will say this though: if any one wants a great deal of enjoyment out of a threecent packet of seeds, let it be Coleus seeds. Flower Sister.

Story Co., Iowa, June 27, 1902.

[Note.—Coleus seeds germinate in from three to five days, while Salvia seeds require from two to three weeks. This fact may account for the failure complained of. When sowing seeds it is always well to note the germinating periods a given in published tables, and if possible avoid sowing seeds of different germinating periods in the same box. There is really more in this sugestion than most persons realize. Often it is the difference between success and failure.—Ed.]

## OUR NATIONAL DISEASE

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Physicians know that drugs will not correct the evils caused by coffee, and the only remedy is to stop drinking it.

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### BRIEF ANSWERS.

Grafting Roses.—Roses are grafted early in the spring. The bush to be grafted may be cut either high or low, and the wedge-cutting is inserted in the end slit just so the back of the cion and that of the stock will meet. The flowing sap will then cause a union of the two parts. Several kinds of Roses may be grafted upon one large stalk, when the branches are large enough, and thus a curious tree bearing roses different in form and color is secured. form and color is secured.

Rubber Plant.—When a Rubber Plant becomes affected by rust, the best thing to do is to cut the entire top off and burn it. If cut off a foot high, to encourage a tree form, and there are infected to encourage a tree form, and there are infected leaves beneath, remove them also and burn them. The new growth will be healthy. As a rule rust does not attack a vigorous plant, and may be avoided by attention to soil, drainage, temperature and other details of culture.

Saponaria ocymoides.—This lovely herbaceous perennial is easily started from seeds, which may be sown at any time, spring, summer or autumn, in the place where the plants are to bloom. They may also be started in a box and transplanted. The plants are perfectly hardy, and are in full bloom about the first of June. They thrive in a sunny exposure, but will endure partial shade. tial shade.

Cannas.-To keep these over winter take up Cannas.—To keep these over winter take up the clumps in autumn when the ground is wet, Let the soil about the roots adhere, and dry in sun and air till well dried out, then place in an airy, frost-proof cellar. If plants are in pots they can be safely wintered in a frost-proof room without drying out. The soil about the clumps, dry or moist, preserves them.

Gloxinia. The Gloxinia grows and blooms well in pots in a place out-doors protected from wind and the afternoon sun. In potting let the crown of the tuber protrude above the surface, and avoid wetting the base of the stems in watering. In a damp, ill-ventilated place the stems will damp off at the tuber if carelessly watered.

Caladium.—Set the tubers of Caladium several inches beneath the ground, as the roots issue from the crown or pushing stem. Water sparingly till well rooted, then apply water liberally. It likes partial shade, and plenty of root-room.

Abutilon.—The Abutilon delights in a rich, rather tenacious soil, partial shade and plenty of water while growing. When drainage is insufficient, or the place too shady the plants are liable to lose their buds.

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Wodena Co., Minn., May 9, 1902.

Mr. Park:—I have been a subscriber of your Floral Magazine for several years. I think it one of the finest I ever saw. I enjoy its omuch. I can hardly wait from one month till another for P. Stockton.

Fulton Co., Ga., May 23, 1902.

### GOD IS LOVE.

God smiles upon the little bud, He clothes the Lily fair; He welcomes every little one Who would His blessings share.

We see God in the little flower. We meet Him day by day: He decks the fields in living green, He's with us all the way.

New London Co., Ct., June 9, 1902.

I. M. C.

### CHILDREN'S CORNER.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a girl eleven years old and live on a large farm. We have thirty-eight head of cattle, and three horses. Two years age we had 1,000 bushels of peaches, and we expect to have as many more this year. Mamma take your Magazine and likes it very much. We always get our seeds from you. We got some Geranium seeds, and they were just fine, but got frozen this spring, and are leaping out again now. I am a great lover of flowers, and always have a bed of my own. I have four brothers and four sisters. If you ever visit Allendale, Mr Park, call and see me. I live on the Spring Hilfarm.

Van Buron Co., Mich., April 5, 1802 farm. Van Buron Co., Mich., April 5, 1802

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl ten yeart old. I live in the country. I have two brothers Elmer and Raymond. I go to school every day, but our school is out now. I go a little over a quarter of a mile to school. Mamma takes you Magazine, she has taken it for several years. I like to read the letters in the Children's Corner. My mamma sends to you quite often for seeds My mamma sends to you quite often for seeds. I have some flower seeds planted this spring.

Ora L. Bunger.

Franklin Co., Nebr., June 4, 1902.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl ten years old. I have a pair of canary birds that sing whenever I come into the room. Mamma has taken your Magazine for a good many years. Papa reads it every month. I love to read the Children's Corner. I had a garden last year and expect to have one this year.

Jessie Gardner. Columbia Co., N. Y., May 20, 1902.

Mr. Park:—I have been taking your Magazine for about a year. I like to read the Children's Corner. I love flowers very much, but we don't raise many. I go to school every day. I am in the fifth grade. For pets I have two kittens. I am going to get up a club for the Magazine.

Grace Co. Nebr., May 4, 1902.

Gage Co., Nebr., May 4, 1902.

Dear Mr. Park:—I have been reading the Children's Corner, and like it very much. I am eleven years old. My mother has taken your Magazine for a good many years. Mamma always gives me some of her seeds to plant for myself. I go to school every day, and am in the fifth grade.

Macausin Co. Ill. May 3, 1902. Macoupin Co., Ill., May 3, 1902.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl eight years old, and went to school last winter. I have lots of flowers, and some are blooming. I have a little dog for a pet. His name is Prince.

Emma Mabel Young.

York Co., Pa.

Dear Mr. Park:-My mamma has taken your Magazine for a year, and likes it very much. I am a lover of flowers. I have many flower seeds planted, and expect some nice flowers this year. Molly Mecklem.

Twodot, Mont., April 29, 1902.

### OLD LADY.

Mr. Park:—I send again \$1.00 for flower seeds. I am an old lady, 79 years old, but have a beautiful flower garden in my front yard. I wish you success, and remain, yours respectfully,
Mrs. Adaline Smith.
Caledonia Co., Vt., March 17, 1902.



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### EDITORIAL NOTICE.

From Mr. Wm. H. Barnes, Secretary of the State Horticultural Society, Topeka, Kansas, I have received a Bulletin giving information on "How to organize and conduct local horticultural societies, Civic improvement societies, Horti-culture clubs, Horticulture exhibitions, Flower culture clubs, Horticulture exhibitions, Flower shows, etc. It contains among other matters of interest, "Constitution and By-laws", "Subjects for Essays and Discussions", and notes on the purpose and management of societies for the improvement of a community. In the closing remarks Mr. Barnes says, "The secretary of the State Horticultural Society, who may be addressed at the Society's room, in the State-house, Topeka, will gladly explain more definitely about forming hyricultural societies, civic improvement societies, chrysnathemum or flower shows, horticultural exhibitions, strawberry and rose festivals, etc., and will help at the organization or fill a place on the program at any time when his other duties will permit. Write him. Remember, there is no politics, no creed, no class or color line in this work. All that is required is an interest in making Kansas the Eden of the World."

The deep interest thus manifested in horticulture by this enthusiastic worker will doubtless have its effect in the improvement of many communities in that enterprising State, and it is to be regretted that all other States are not equally progressive. Those who may wish this Bulletin should enclose stamp for postage when writing to Mr. Barnes for it.

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### BRIEF ANSWERS.

Calla and Sanseviera.—The so-called Black Calla is not a species of Richardia, but an Arum. Calla is not a species of Richardia, but an Arum. Some sell one species, some another. Arum Italicum is a species with black-brown flowers. The tubers may be safely kept in a frost-proof place until early spring, then potted, when the flowers will soon appear. It is not very desirable because of its ill-scent. A. Sanctum is mostly sold as Black Calla. but rarely blooms satisfactorily. Sanseviera Zeylanica is a plant from Ceylon. It bears white flowers, but is chiefly valued for its greenlant zeprestriped foliage. for its succulent, zebra-striped foliage.

Heliotrope.—Plants of Heliotrope do well beded out in a sunny bed, kept well watered. They rarely blight under these conditions.

## THAT MOUNTAIN HOME.

Afar from the busy haunts of men, In a forest-shaded nook, They dwelt together in their home, Close by the babbling brook.

Green vines were clustered round the door, And peeped the window through. The notes of the Hermit Thrush were heard As he sipped the morning dew.

And at evening, in the twilight, Through the joy-laden hours, They would wander down the pathway, 'Midst the perfume of the flowers.

And with happy hearts, and tender, Would they pause, and linger where The bright Pansies raised their faces To the soft and balmy air.

All and all to one another,
They would lovers seem to be,
Till you saw 't was the grey-haired mother,
Guarded thus so tenderly.

Eighty-four years had that dear mother Lived her gentle life on earth, Loved and blest by all who knew her, For her own intrinsic worth.

But one day there came a summons To the cottage by the brook, God sent two of his bright Angels, Who the soul so gentle took.

Bore it upward on their pinions, To a happier, fuller life;
There to guard and keep it ever,
From this weary world of strife.

There within that quiet haven, She will patiently watch and wait, Till she hears his well-known footsteps Close beside the Pearly Gate.

Then with happy eyes, and eager, She will scan the loved face o'er, Know that they are safe in Heaven, Where there'll be no parting more.

Mrs. Maud Rowe. Prowers Co., Colo., July 7, 1902.

## THOUGHTS.

The dear Pansy faces remind me Of a home in the mountain dell, Of a mother that's dead, Laid away in earth's bed, Who loved their bright faces so well.

The brook murmurs on by the cottage, And the thrush calls aloud in the tree, But my heart, how it weeps, For the dear one who sleeps, Who made all my world for me.

Oh! dear Pansies, I'm so lonely now, Since mother was called to her rest, But the thought that cheers,
And dries all my tears,
She's at rest in the land of the blest.

We are told that the Pansies grow in Heaven, We are told that the Pansles of And things are eternally fair With the dear one that's gone To that Heavenly Home, Oh, what will it be to be there?

Dear Pansies, named Heartsease so truly, And symbol of thoughts to us here, You point our thoughts on To the love of God's Son, That banishes all of our fear.

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Mrs. W. T. Eckhardt. Beement, Okla., July 4, 1902.

Dear Mr. Park:—I have only been a reader of your Magazine for one year, but I like it very nuch, and would not like to be without it. Please renew my subscription for another year.

Sanilac Co., Mich., March 30, 1902.

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Calaveros Co., Cal., Dec. 1, 1901.

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Buxus sempervirens, the old-fashioned Boxwood. A lovely, dense, globular evergreen, fine as a specimen on the lawn or in the cemetery, and useful for a border or hedge. Per hundred,

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Honeysuckle, Gold-leaved, similar to Hall's, but has very showy gold veined foliage, and often appears during summer as a mass of gold. A lovely trellis or pillar plant.

Jasmine nudiflorum, a hardy Jasmine bearing its sweet yellow flowers before the foli-age appears in spring. Excellent as a trellis plant, and showy when pegged down. A great

Kerria Japonica fl. pl., the Corcoras Rose; bears double, rose-like brigh; golden flowers in great abundance early in spring, and also blooms freely in autumn. One of the earliest of flowers in spring, and the latest to fade in autumn. A splendid shrub. Good to train over a wall.

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### GOSSIP.

Dear Floral Friends:—Have you ever met a "catalogue fiend"? One of the kind who treasures up every one that comes into the house, and feels cross the rest of the day if a visitor's child happens to rumple one of the leaves or bend the cover thereof. Well, I am just that sort of a crank, and I know I have more than one hundred catalogues stored away carefully, dating back to the time when I was first trusted with a handful each of Poppy, Marigold and Aster seeds to be planted on one corner of the "banking". How happy I was when those seeds came through the ground, and what tears of rage and despair I shed, when my mother, in July, "thin ned them out" one day while I was at school. I often think of it when I see people old enough to know better, plant a whole counce of Nasturtiums around two trees, each circle being only about two feet in diameter. But, to go back to the catalogues, I have made a practice of studying every one I receive, until I nearly have them by heart, especially Park's, because I have learned more real botany from that little catalogue, than from all the books I ever studied at school. It seems so strange to me that seeds men will send out seeds under such names as "Treasure Plant", "Shoo-fly Plant", etc., and never introduce us to their family. I have been studying catalogues to-night, one in particular, dated 1894. I find in it descriptions of a hardy Mimulus which grows upright to the height of three feet; a brilliant scarlet Scabosa, and an Mimulus which grows upright to the height of three feet; a brilliant scarlet Scabiosa, and an three feet; a brilliant scarlet Scabiosa, and an annual Larkspur (Delphinium cardinale), which is also scarlet. Then there is Asparagus Bronsonette, a hardy climbing perennial, growing ten feet high. These are but a few of the wondrous things I found in one catalogue, and I wonder why nobody ever sees them growing. I have tried so many new things which turned out to be old ones, that I have learned at last to sit back and wait until Mr. Park puts it on the market, then I am quite sure it is all right.

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